

**Status of the  $dE/dx$  cosmic rays  
measurements with PANDA straw tubes  
prototype in Julich.**

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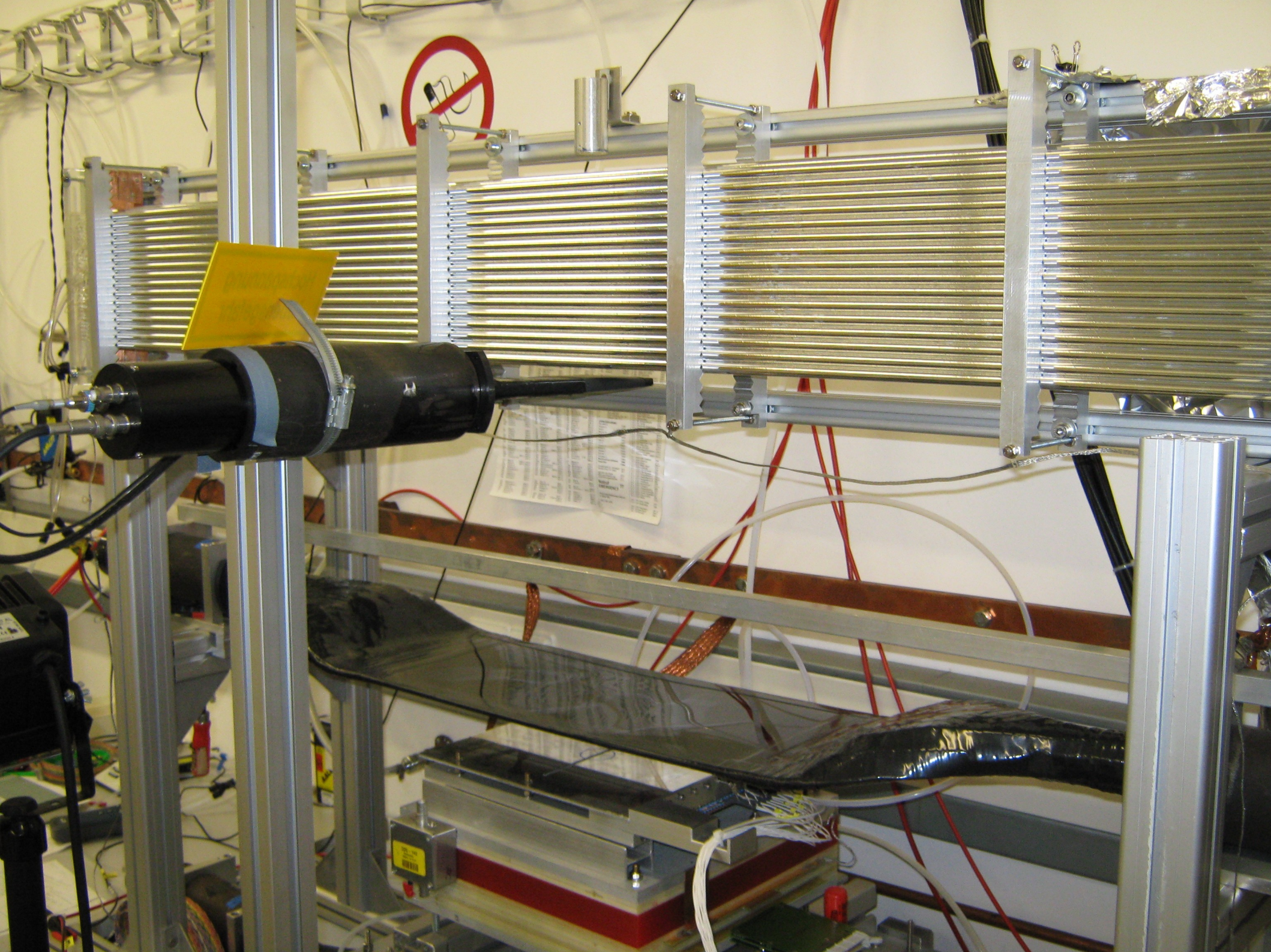
Goal: investigations of tracking and particle identification by multiple ionizations measurements;

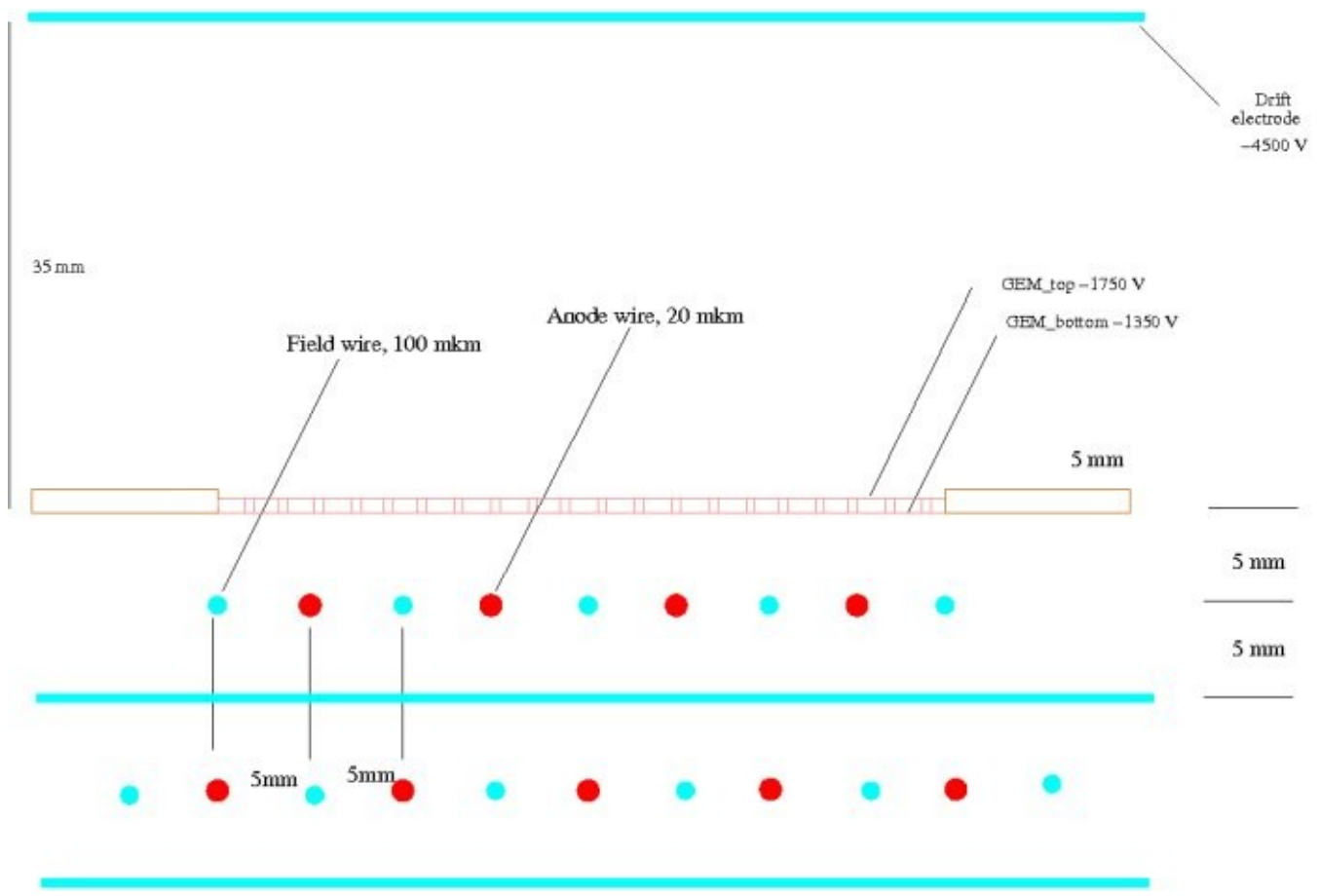
assembling of a straw detector prototype for test in laboratory with cosmic rays and radioactive sources,

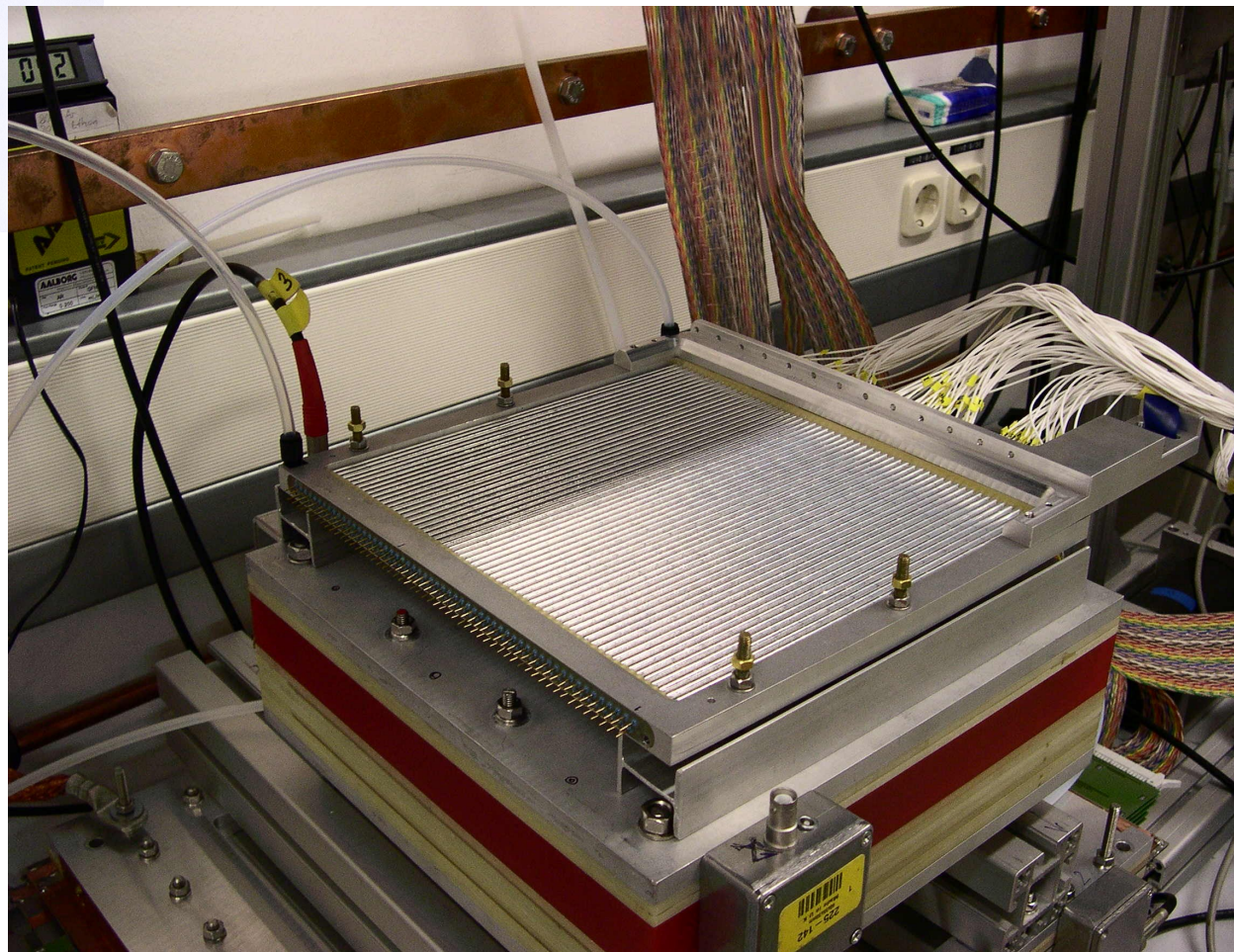
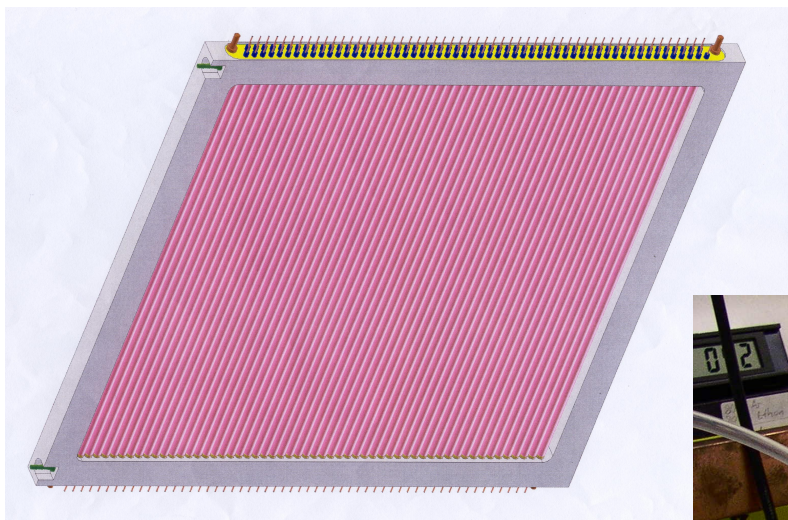
150 cm long straw tubes, 10 mm diameter, double side aluminum mylar, 8 layers of 16 straws

Integration of this prototype in an existing laboratory setup with tracking detectors, test electronics and data acquisition

Testing DAQ, readout, analysis software - ROOT Sorter, ROOT







## Detectors:

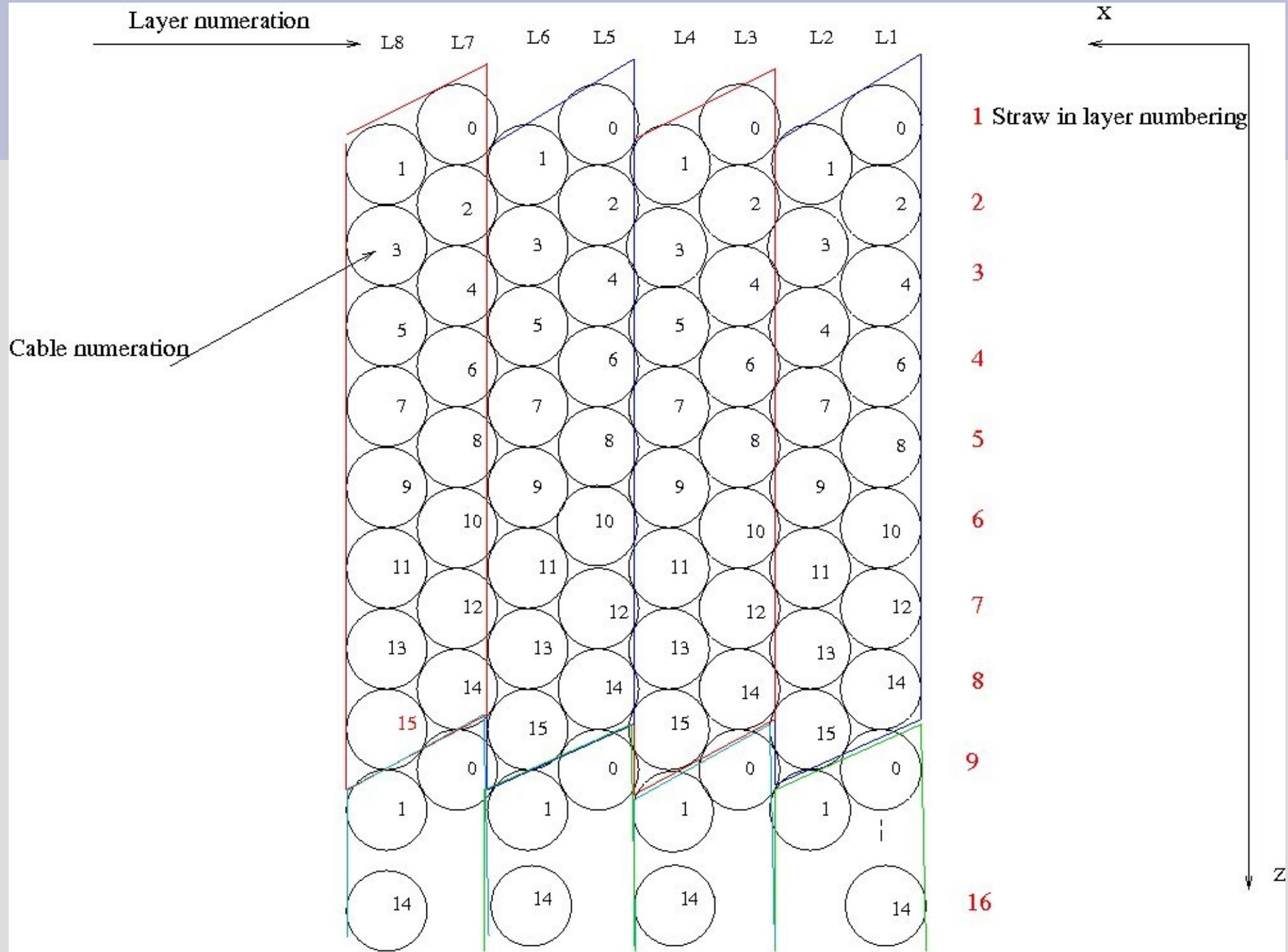
- straw tube detector:

straws 4 mm diameter, 2 layers,  $S=4.4$  mm,  $dZ=4$  mm,  
111 straws, sensitive area  $\sim 23\text{-}24$  cm<sup>2</sup>

6 plane module drift chamber:

2\*X, 2\*+30deg, 2\*-30 deg, 10 mm drift cell (+- 5 mm)

a hybrid detector – with GEM foil - gas electron multiplier,  
inserted in a drift chamber as a preamplifier for registration  
of ionization clusters



# Electronics used in measurements

- a 16 channels current amplifier (CMD components), gain 10 mV/ $\mu$ a, rise time < 8 ns, noise  $\sim 1 \mu$ a; bipolar output
- amplifier-discriminator CMP 16, amplification 8 mV/fC rise time 7 ns, LVDS output
- adapters and booster amplifiers for creating unipolar signals and matching between analog and digital electronics

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TDC-F1, 64 channels, LVDS input, in normal resolution mode 7.8  $\mu$ s measurement range, resolution 130 ps LSB, used in WASA and ANKE at COSY

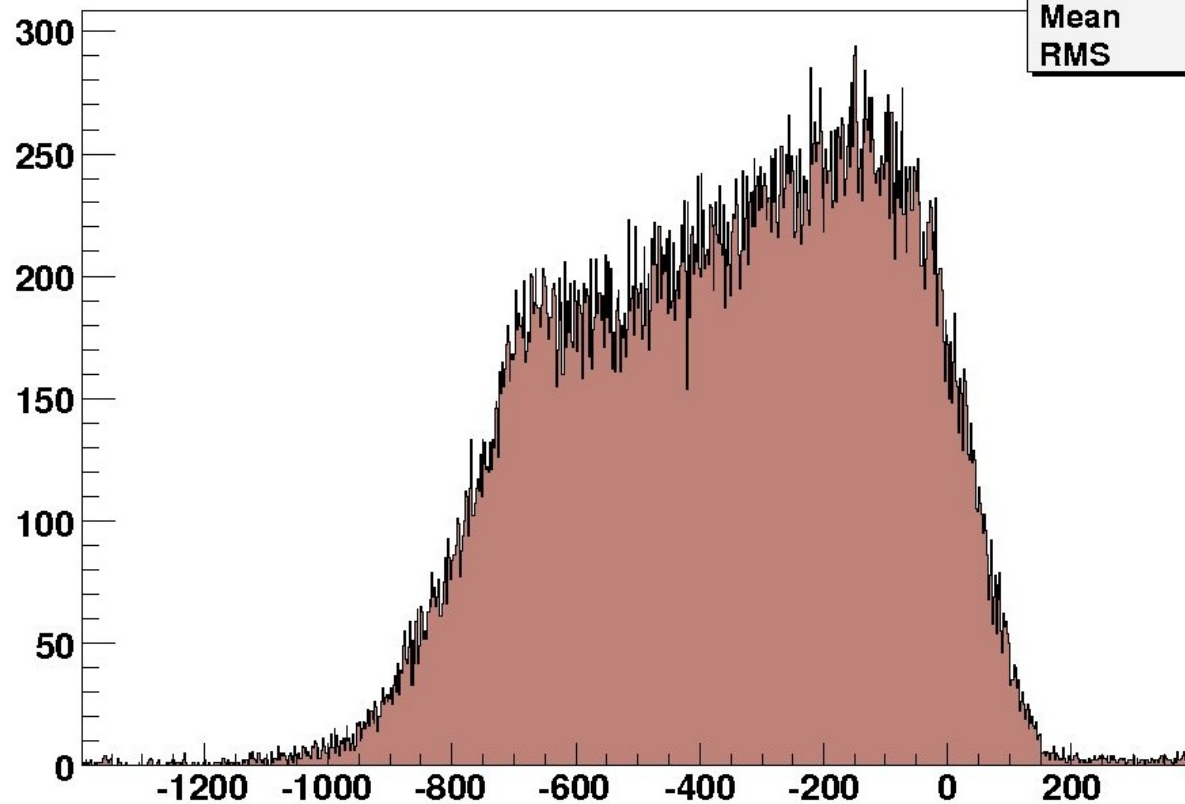
Fast QDC – a flash ADC with a sampling frequency of 160 MHz, range 6.4  $\mu$ ks, 11 bits, up to 0.4 V.

FPGA programmed algorithm which gives: the number of pulses, time position ( $\sim 1.56$  ns), amplitudes, charges, used in WASA at COSY



run3393, Ar/C2H6 80/20, 1.7 kV, dP=974 mbar

Time in DC, all channels



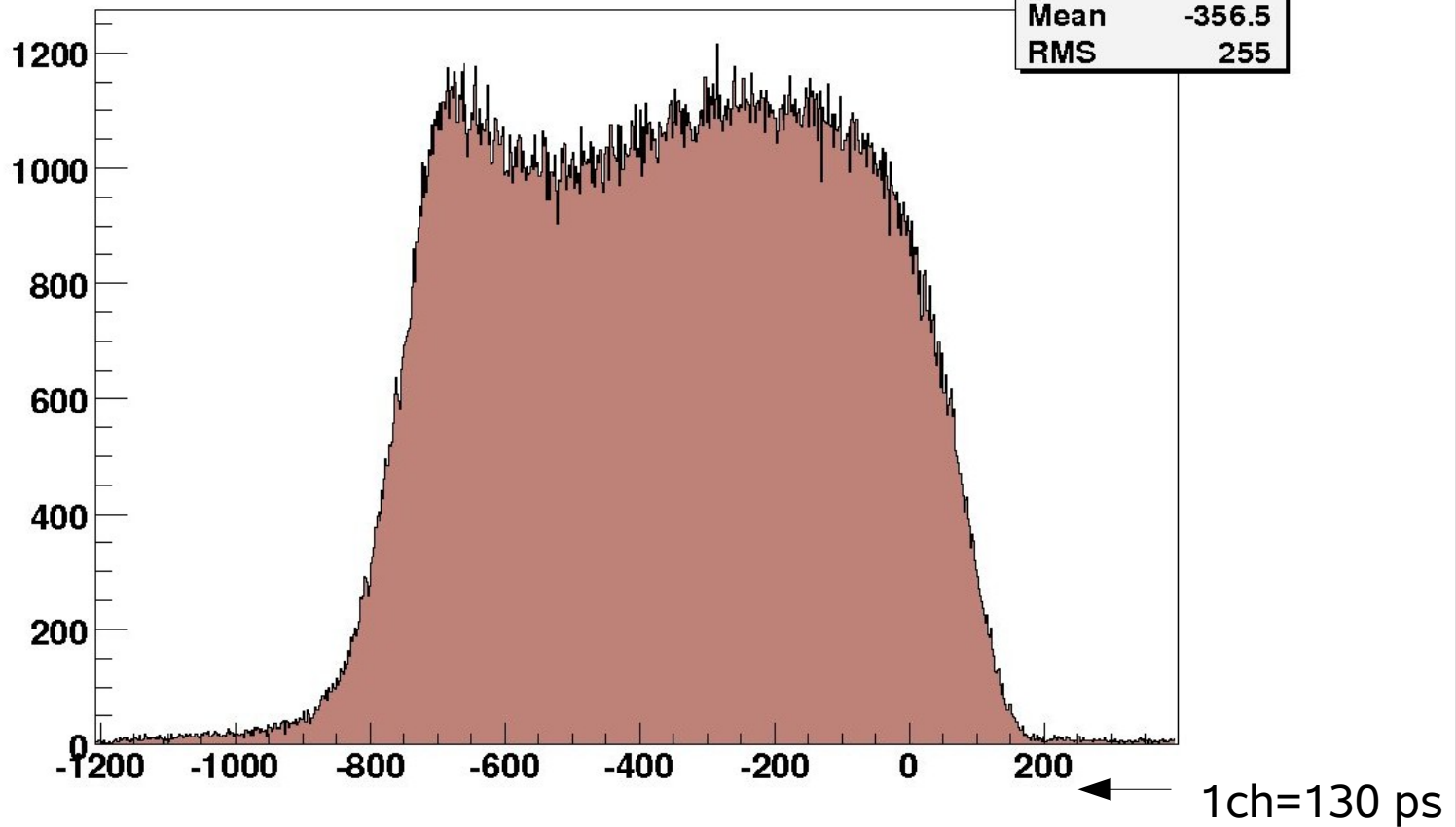
DC_time, all	
Entries	120953
Mean	-352.6
RMS	260.7

← 1ch=130 ps

run 3406, cosmics, Ar/C2H6 (80/20), 1.6 kV, dP=449 mbar

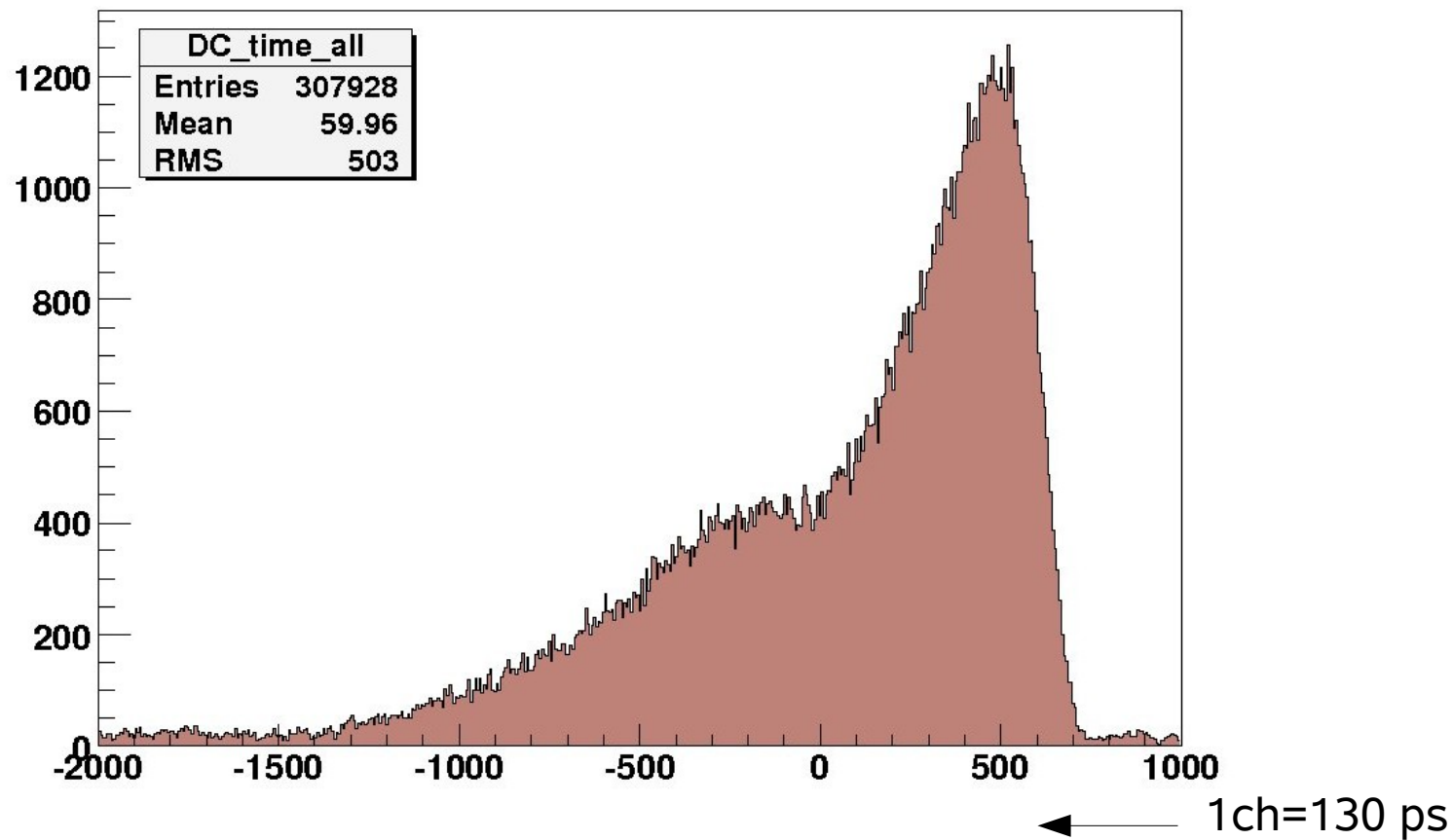
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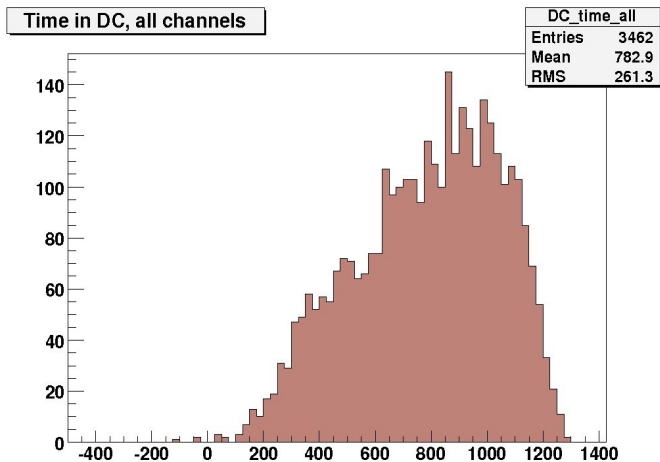


run3437, cosmics, Ar/CO2 (90/10), 1.7 kV, dP=1020 mbar

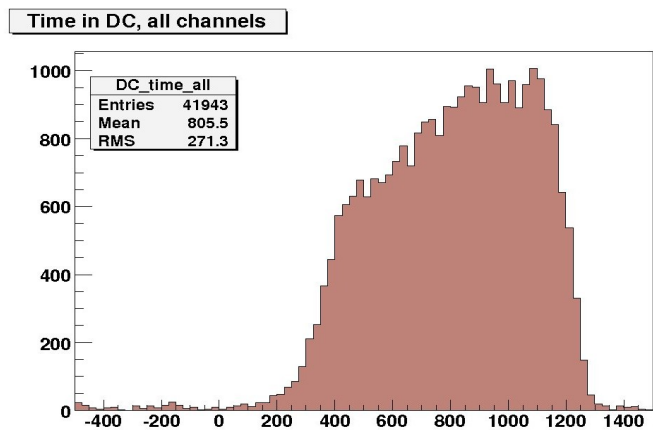
Time in DC, all channels



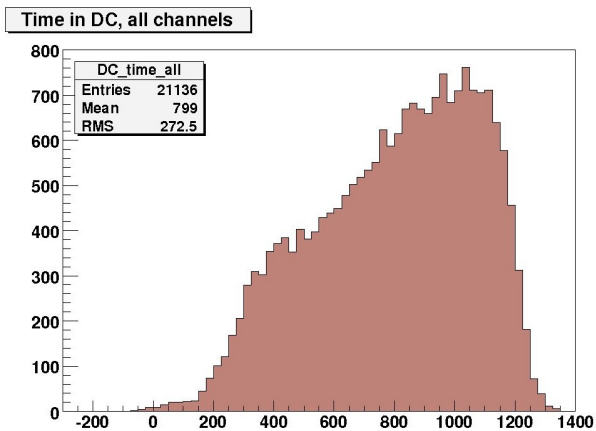
1 - 1.45 kV, dP=290 mbar; 2 - 1.6 kV, dP=290 mbar;  
 3 - 1.6 kV, dP=452 mbar; 4 - 1.6 kV, dP=651 mbar  
 Ar/CO2 90/10



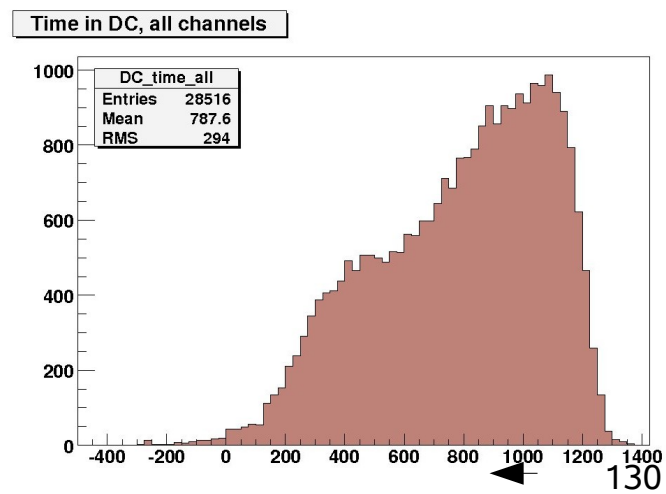
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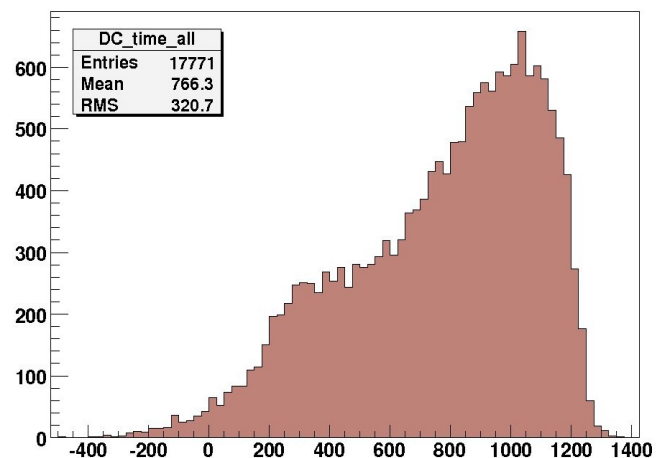


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130 ps

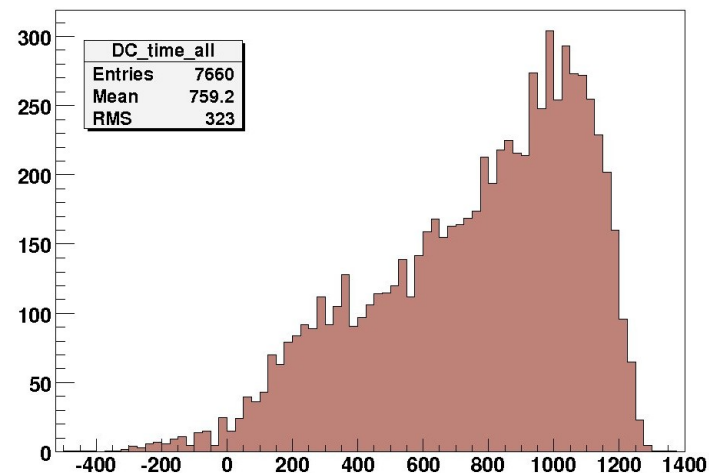
1 – 1.7 kV, dP=803 mbar; 2 – 1.7 kV, dp=901 mbar;  
3 – 1.7 kV, dP=991 mbar; 4 – 1.8 kV, dP=991 mbar;  
Ar/CO2 90/10

Time in DC, all channels



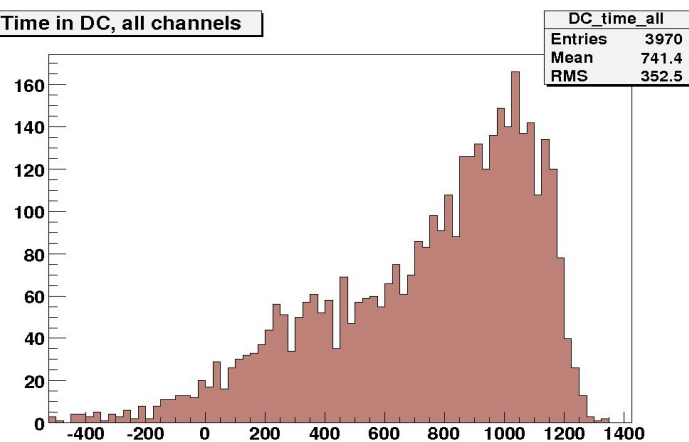
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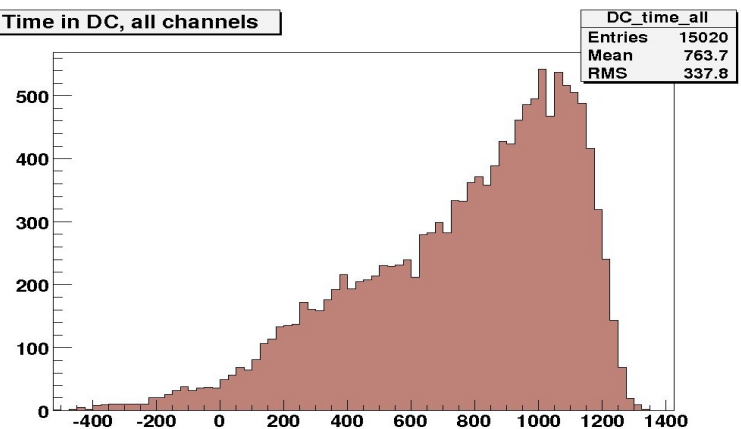
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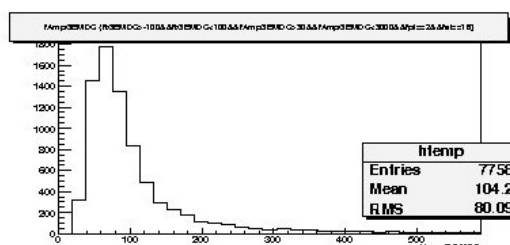
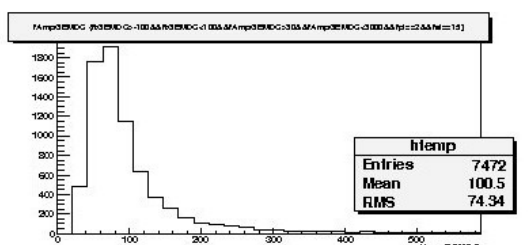
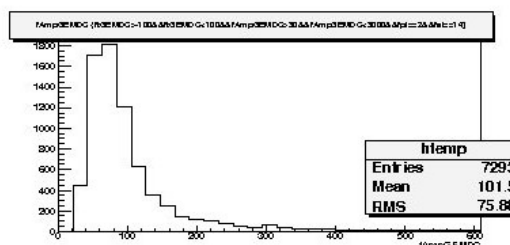
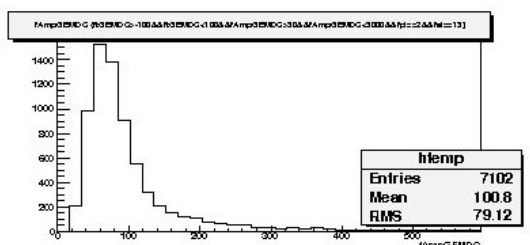
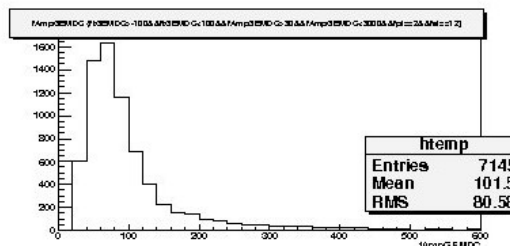
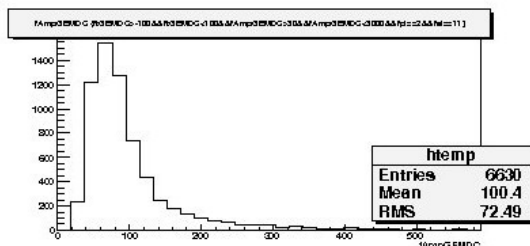
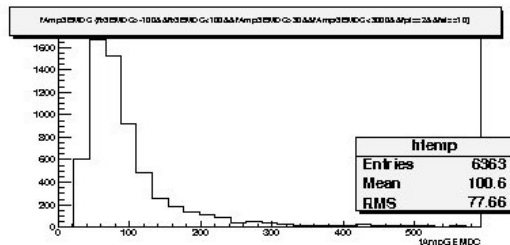
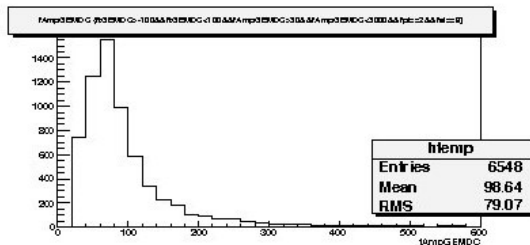
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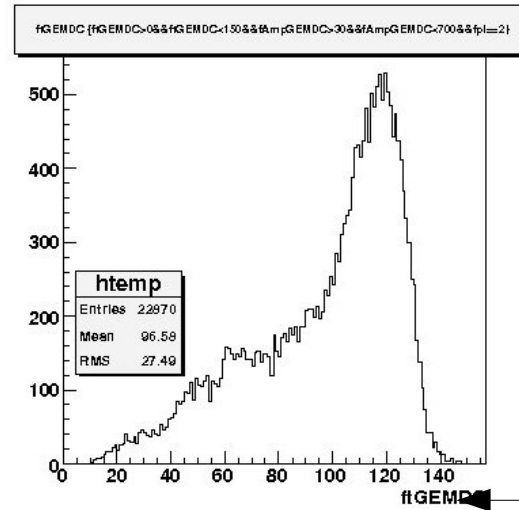
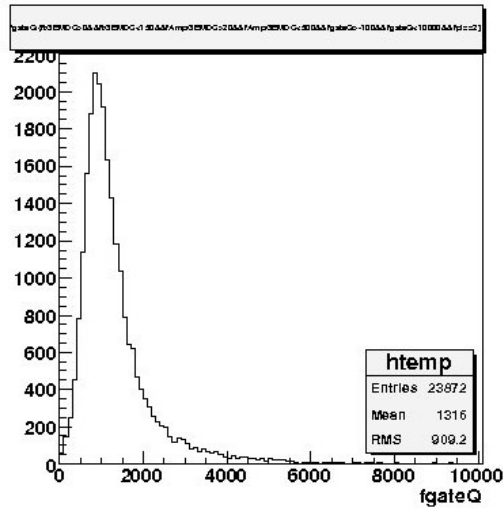
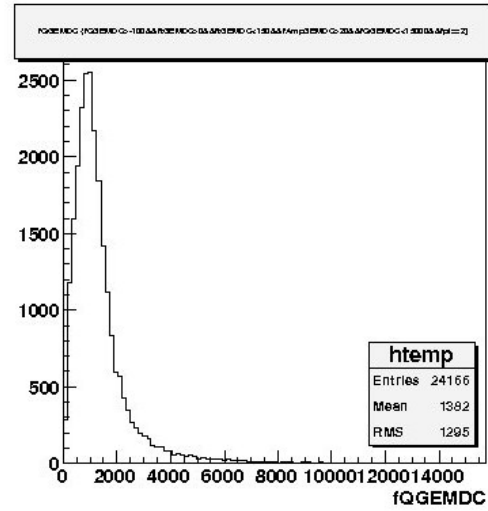
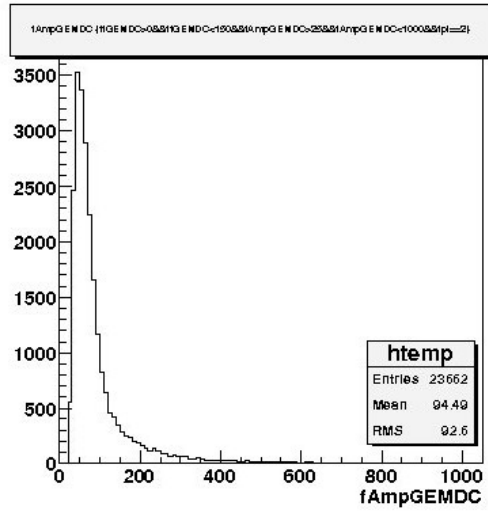


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# Amplitude spectra, FQDC, 8 channels, run3391, Ar/C2H6 (80/20), 1.7 kV, dP=986mbar

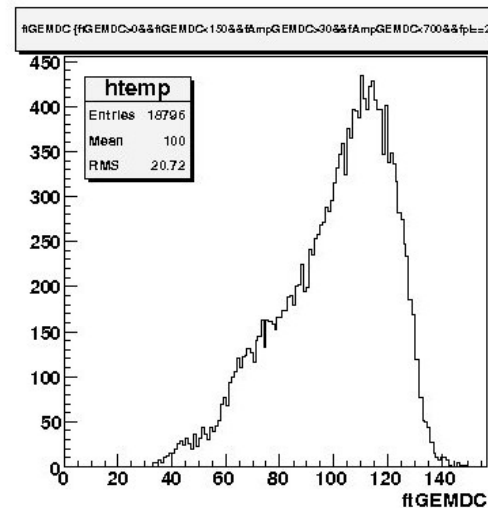
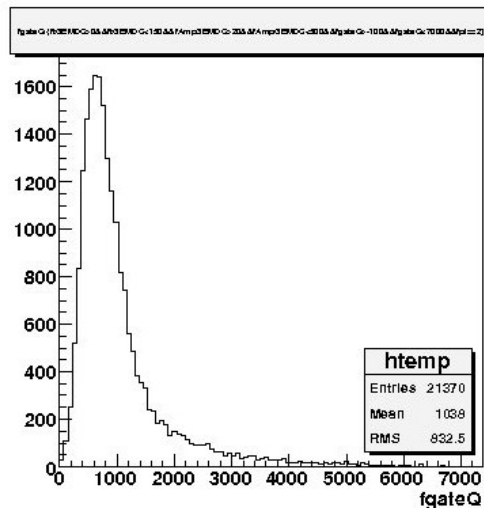
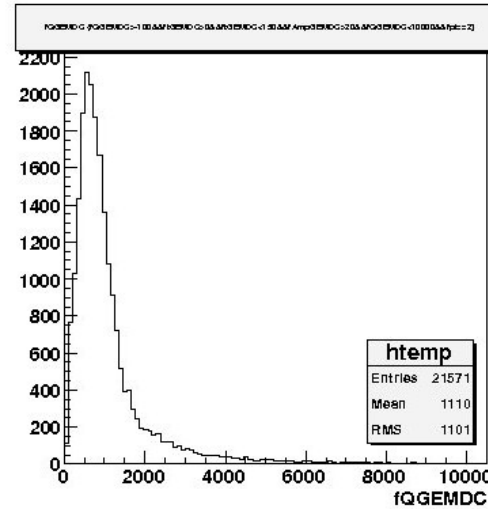
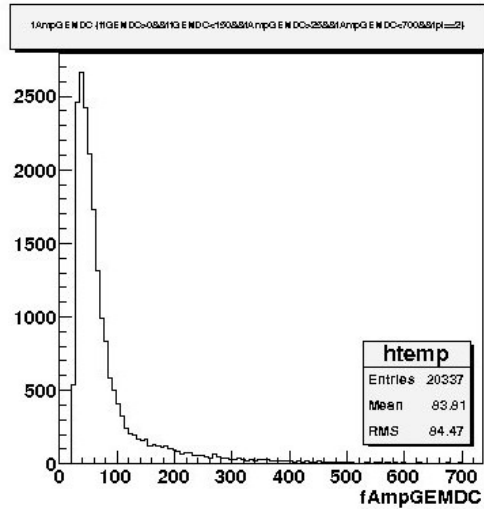


# run 3500, Sr90, 1.7 kV, dP=991 mbar, Ar/CO2 90/10

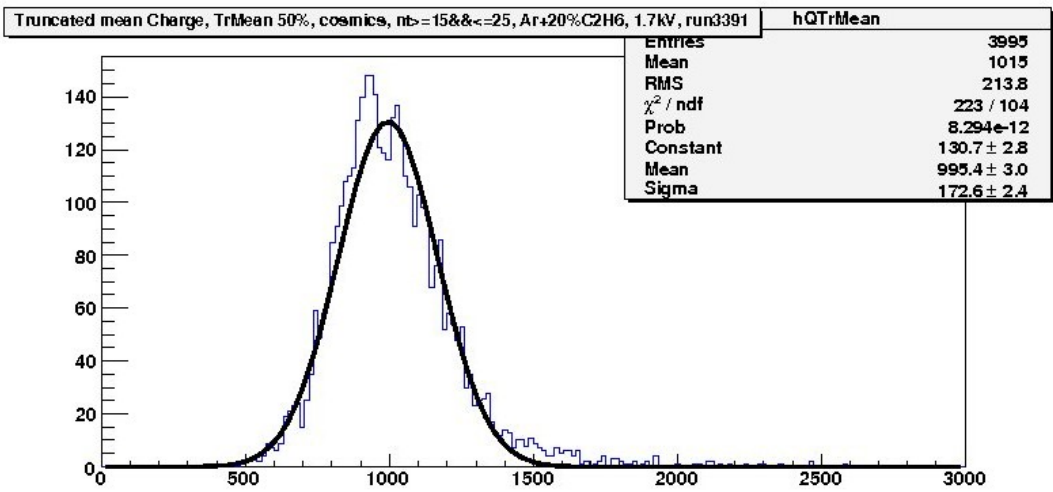
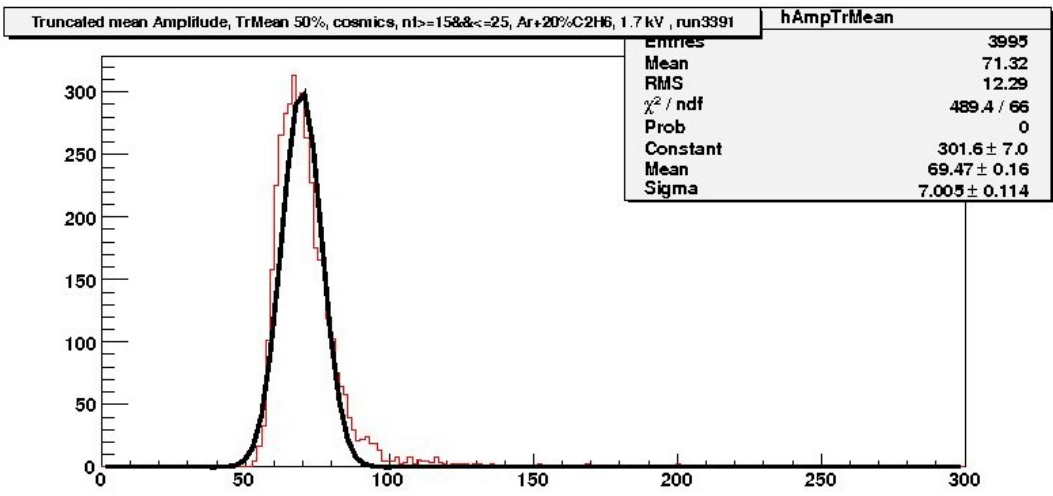


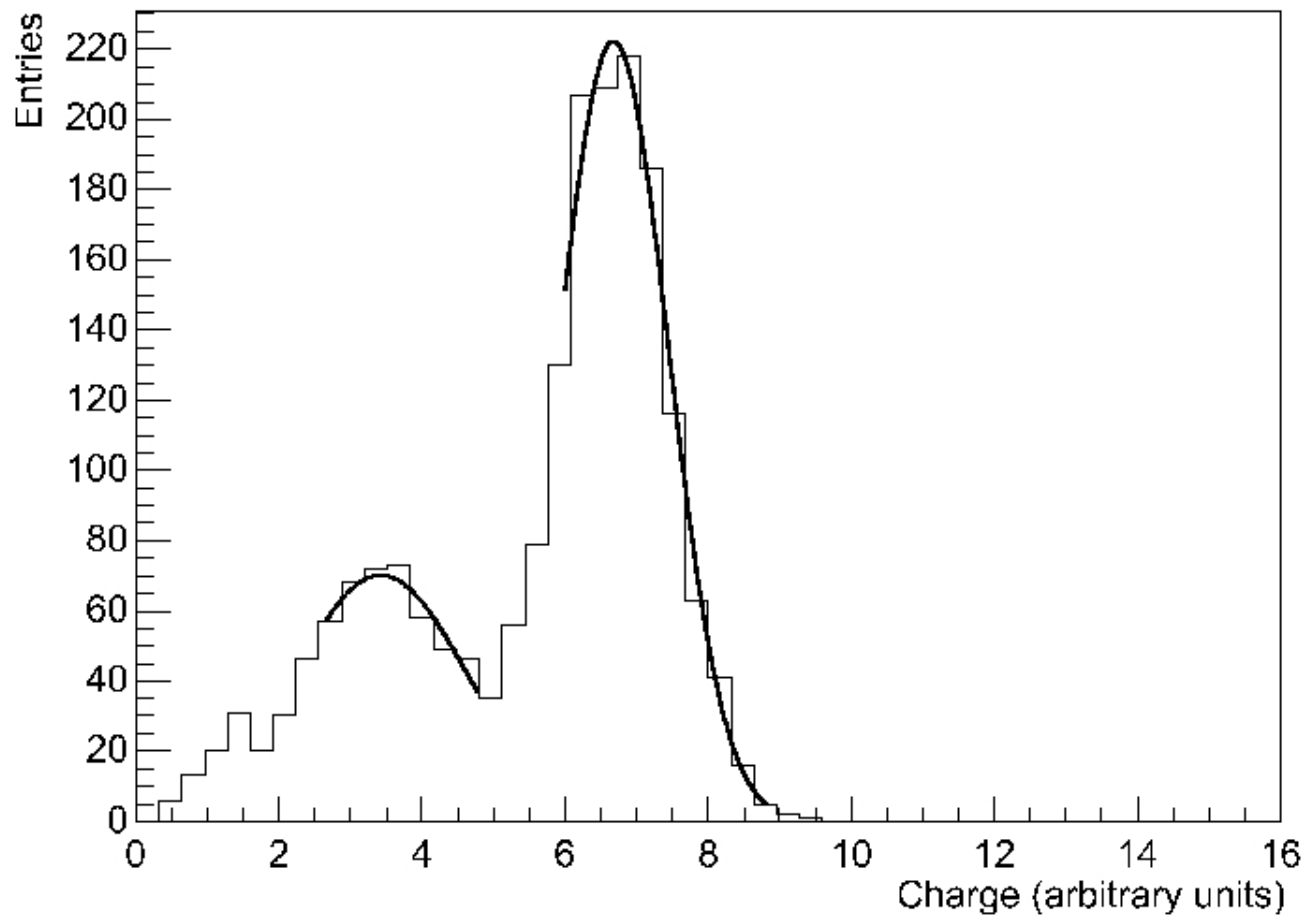
1.56 ns

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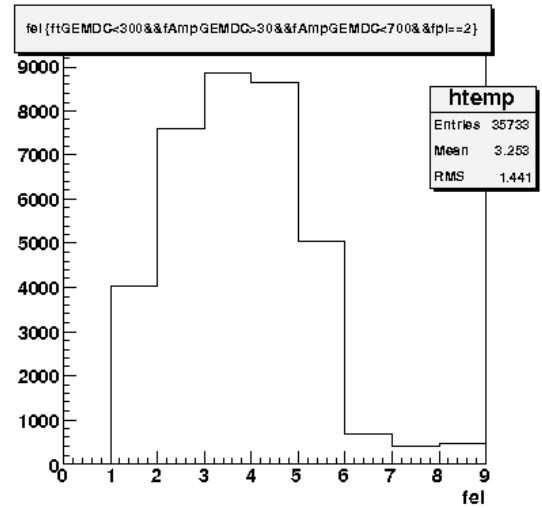
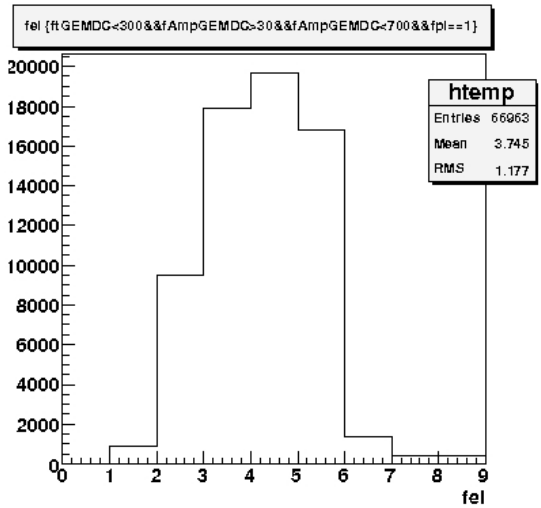
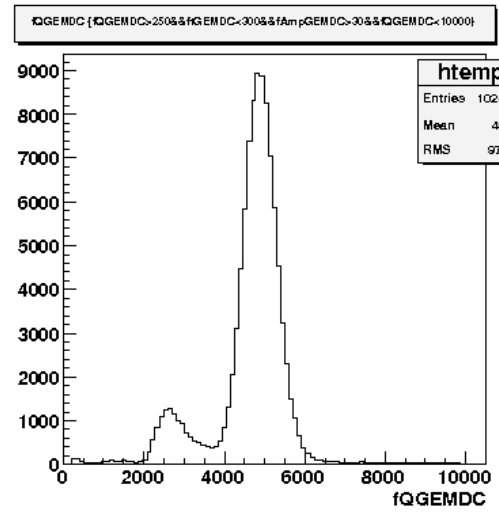
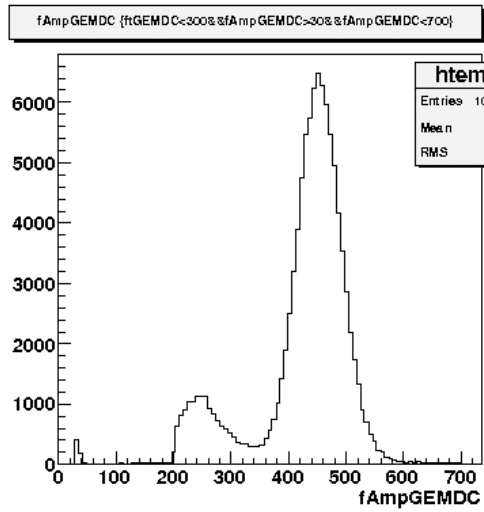


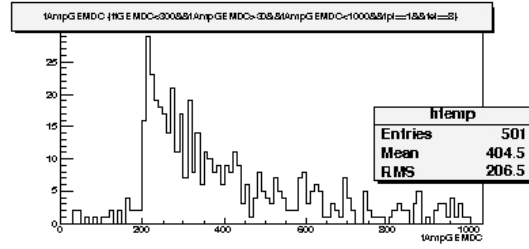
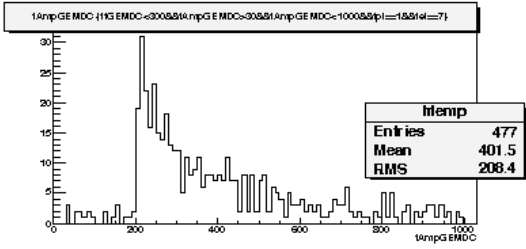
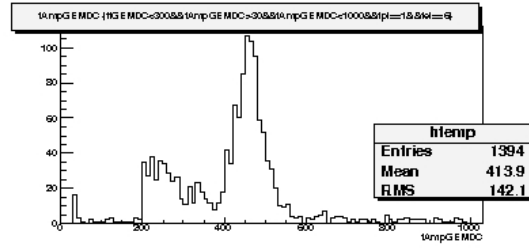
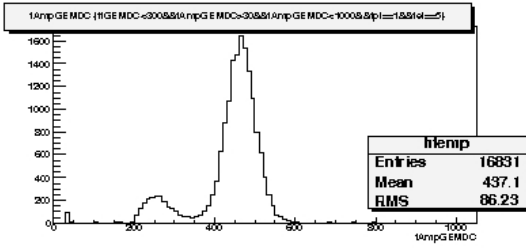
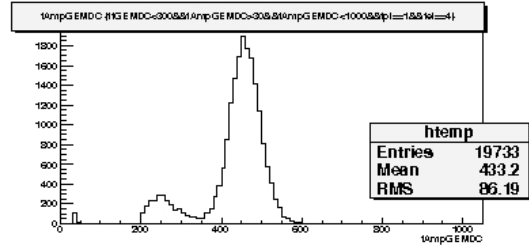
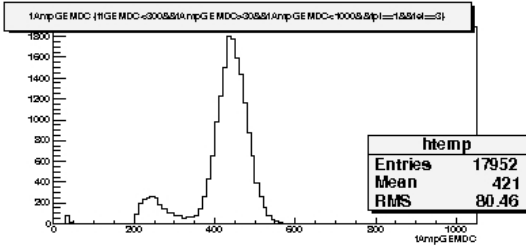
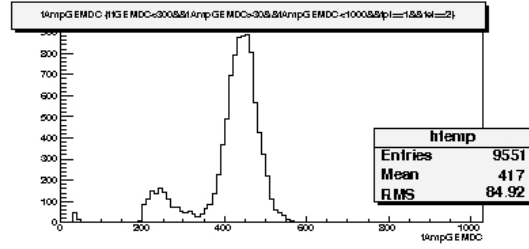
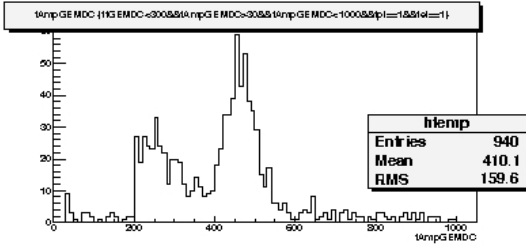


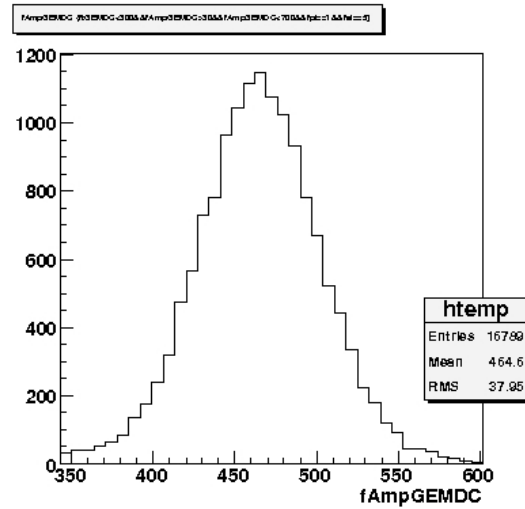
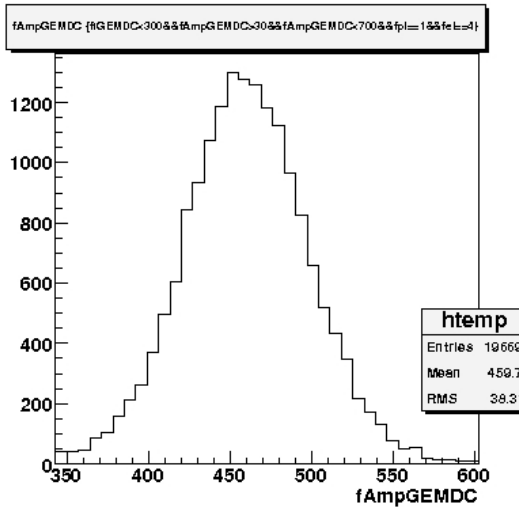
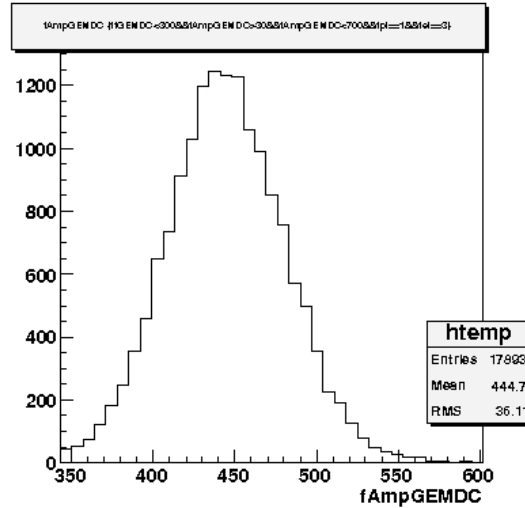
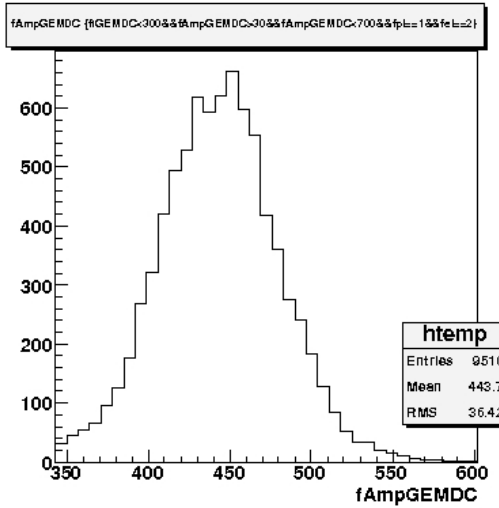


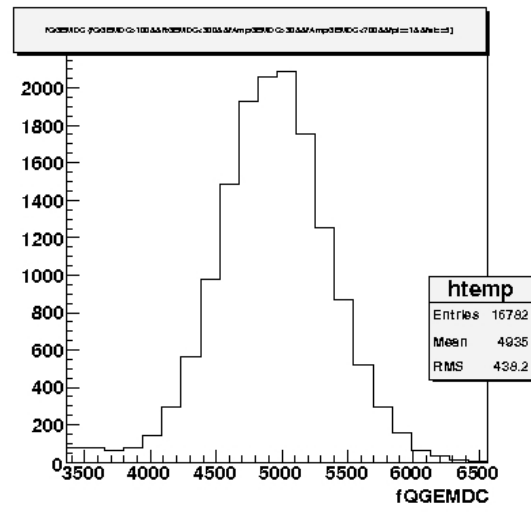
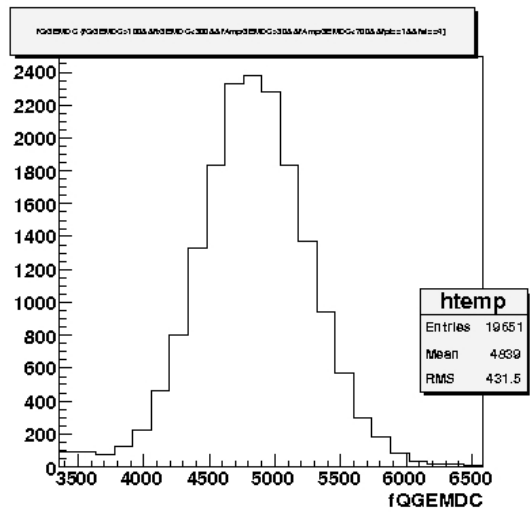
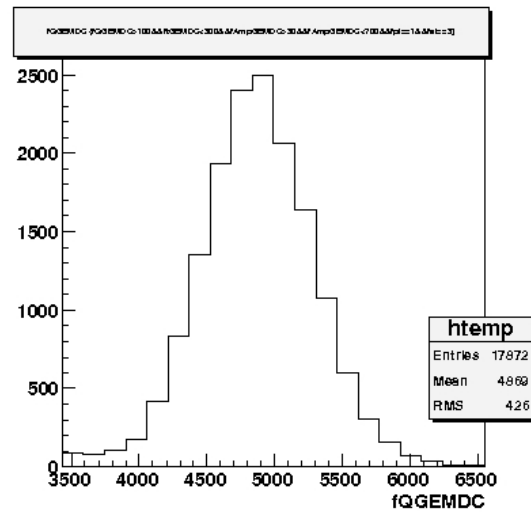
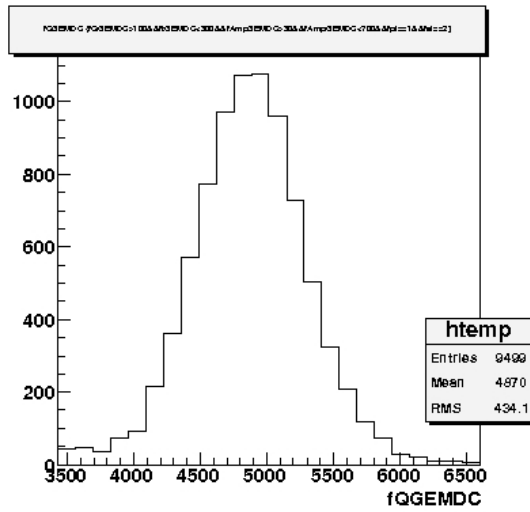


# Fe55, Ar/CO2, dP=282 mbar, 1.5 kV









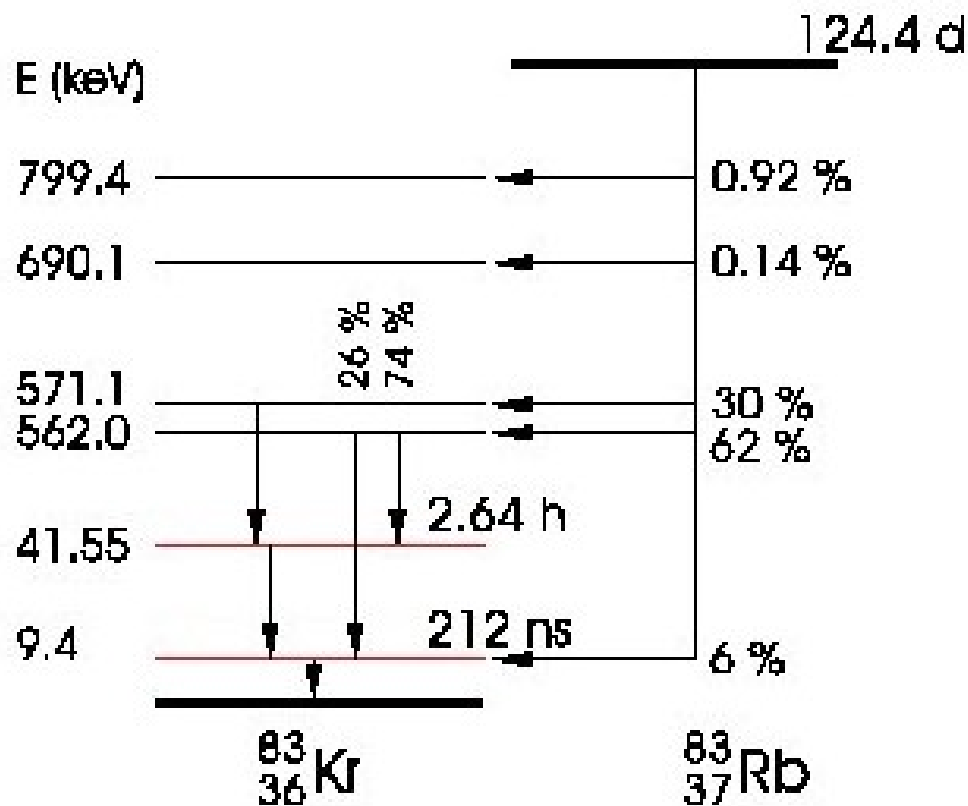
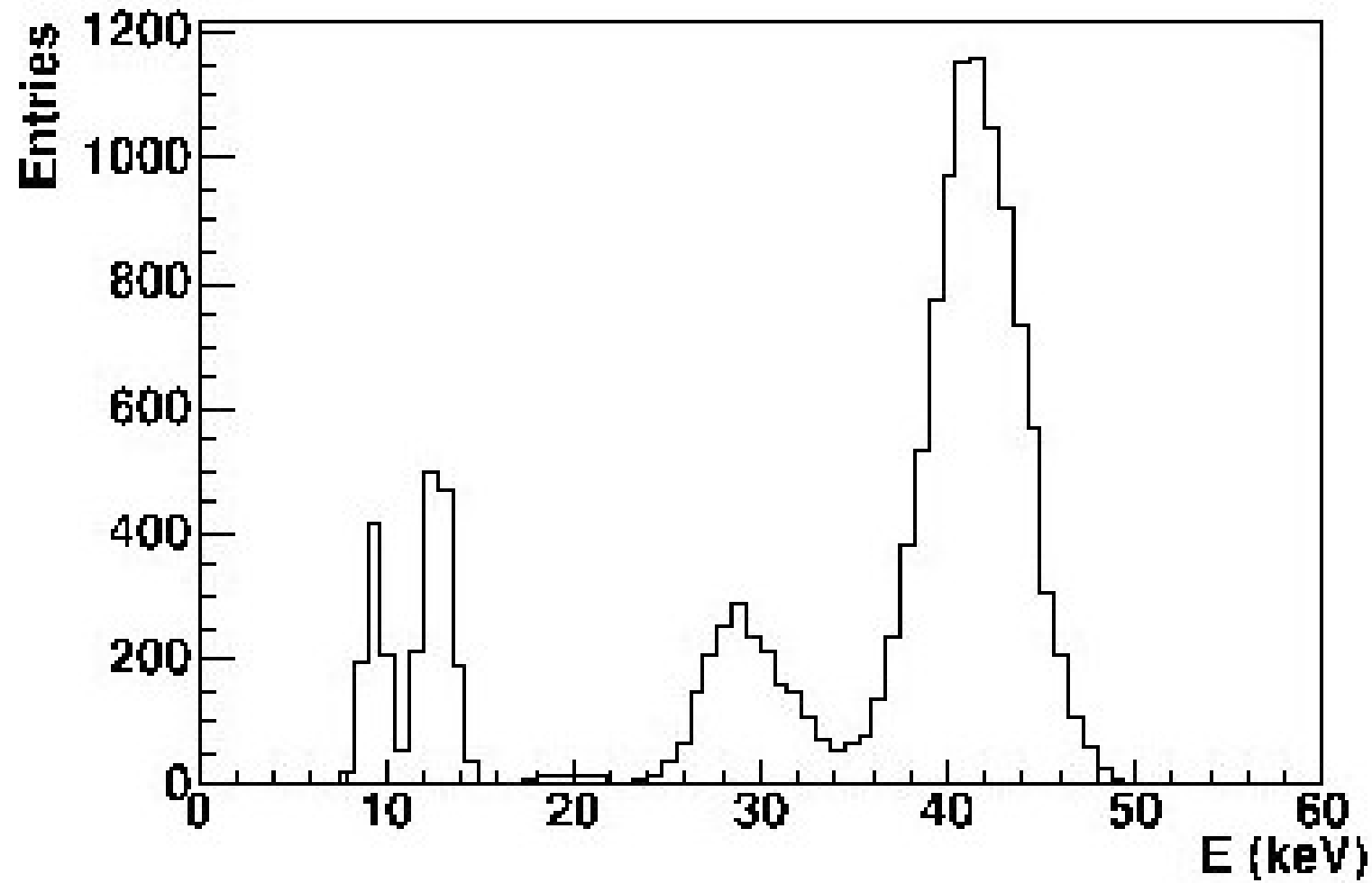


Fig. 2. Decay scheme of  $^{83}\text{Rb} \rightarrow ^{83}\text{Kr}$ . The ground state of  $^{83}\text{Rb}$  decays predominantly (76 %) to the isomeric excited state  $^{83\text{m}}\text{Kr}$  at  $E = 41.6$  keV. This most important level of  $^{83}\text{Kr}$  for calibration is populated through the 571 keV and 562 keV intermediate levels. It decays entirely to the 9.4 keV state, which then decays to the  $^{83}\text{Kr}$  ground state.





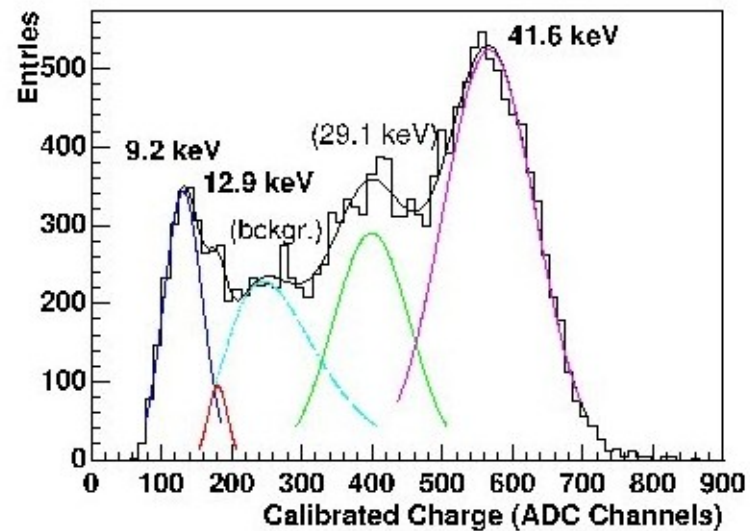


Fig. 9. The measured Krypton spectrum of all pads calibrated with the calibration constants obtained from the Krypton spectra of the single pads. A combined fit using 4 Gaussians for the peaks (solid grey lines) and one Landau distribution for the background (dotted line) was performed. The maximum of the high energy peak was assigned an energy of 41.6 keV and thus the energies of the other peaks were calculated (see values at the various peaks).

## 5 Conclusion

## Summary, further tasks

- Providing the setup with a full set of flash ADC – FQDC, 10 modules ordered, expected in 2 months
- Completion of the upgrade with other tracking detectors: drift chambers with GEM preamplifiers, small straw tubes
- Development and implementation of energy calibration procedures: Fe55 – 5.9 keV <- self triggering DAQ, Kr83 method – radioactive gas 9.3 keV - 41 keV
- Beam test planning : CERN PS, COSY beam test line for energy resolution and PID separation power conclusions
- new generation electronics development (n-XYTER chip, DETNI project, ZTL Julich cooperation)
- engineering the connections with straw pins – suitable connector for the realistic straw prototype

# Algorithm studies: different estimation of most probable energy loss

*Landau distribution has no definite mean. The algorithm used must estimate the most probable energy loss*

- ✓ Truncated mean
- ✓ Double truncated mean: truncate at both ends

- ✓ Median

- ✓ Geometric mean

$$\overline{x}_g = \sqrt[n]{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i}$$

- ✓ Harmonic mean

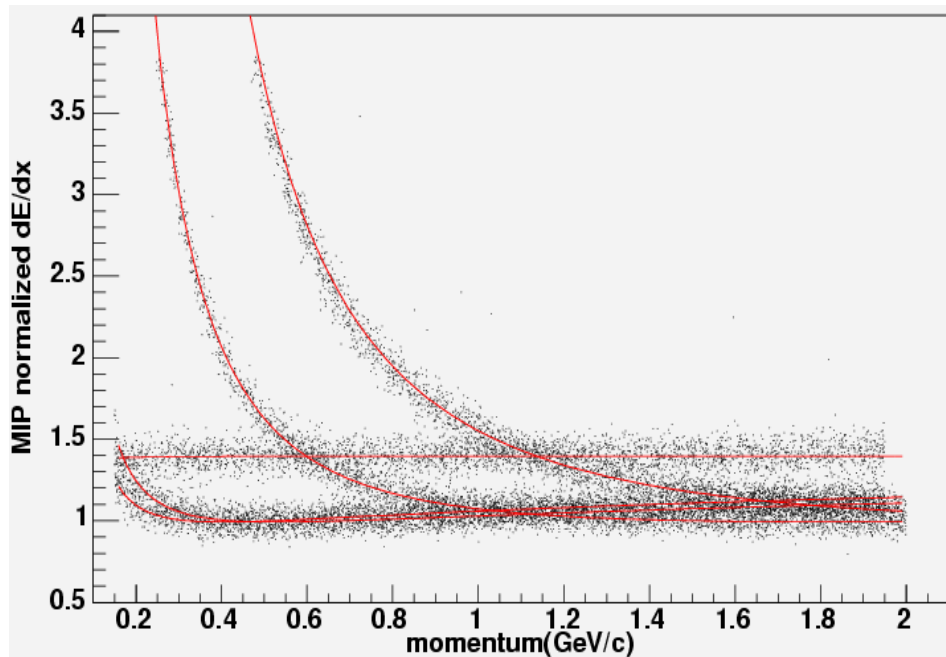
$$\overline{x}_h = \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n 1/x_i}$$

- ✓ Transformation:

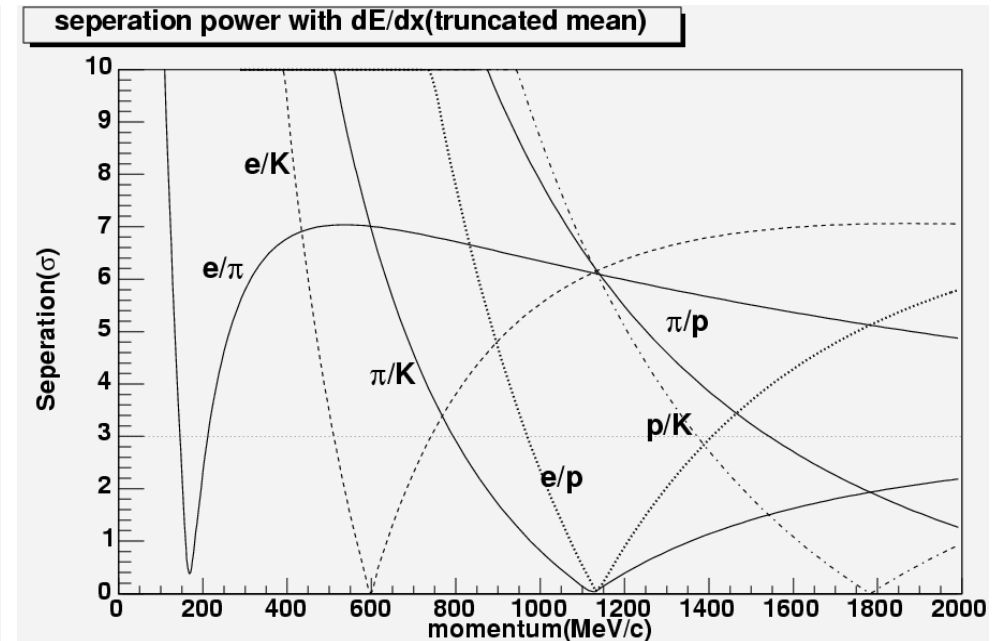
- ✓ Logarithm truncate  $\langle dE/dx \rangle = \left( \sum \frac{1}{\sqrt{dE/dx}} \right)^{-1}$

idea: these methods give less bias to large values, then the saturated hits have less effect to give better shape and better separation

# Particle identification power



dE/dx separation for 5 particles(MC)



separation power with dE/dx

- ✓ Good particle separation in a wide range for different particles
- ✓ The important  $\pi$ /K separation( $3 \sigma$ ) can reach nearly 800MeV/c
- ✓ Particle identification efficiency is more than 90% with MC samples